

The Visitor

A monthly Newsletter for St. John's Christian Church
Family and Friends

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prayer concerns

Prayers for comfort and Gospel-based hope:

- Joel Foote and family, upon the death of his sister Sandy on 7/25
- Sharon VonDeylen and family, upon the death of her husband Dale on 7/24
- Mary Silcox and family, upon the death of her husband Jim on 7/24
- Jan Lindsay and family, upon the death of her mother Lyn on 7/16. Jan is also making arrangements for her father's care due to his struggle with Alzheimer's disease
- Angie Neuenschwander and family, upon the death of her brother Kevin on 7/13
- Shirley Fowler and family, as her son is now in hospice care in Florida

Prayers for recovery and health:

- Callie Rohrs, recovering from clavicle surgery on 7/31
- Kathryn Graber, recovering at home from injuries sustained in a car accident on 7/19
- Sue Kinsman, receiving treatment for an infection
- Chloe (granddaughter of Roger and Kay Merillat), whose cancer returned
- Karen Roth (mother of Brian Roth, Brad Roth, and Kim M. Walker), now in rehab at Montpelier Hospital
- Sandy Miller, receiving treatment for a serious infection in her legs

Praises for answered prayers:

- Carol DeVries, whose health concern on 7/19 was not a major concern as feared
- Nancy Rupp, who continues to recover from her knee surgery on 7/13
- Gabby Nafziger, who continues to recover from her gall bladder surgery on 7/10

Prayers for protection, and for the increase of peace worldwide:

PFC Brendan Bostelman (Army) (Fort Campbell, KY) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy Bostelman)

Kali Collins (Airforce) (Washington, DC) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)

Kohl Collins (Army) (Ft. Myers, VA) (Grandson of Nan Neill)

Kyle Ducey (Navy) (Suffolk, VA) (Son of Kelly & Betsy)

Josiah Epling, left for basic training on 6/30 (San Antonio, TX) (Son of Sodie Warren)

Cpt. Jared R. Kuntz (Army) (Washington D.C.) (Son of Keith & Kelli)

Eric Magg (Coast Guard) (Ketchikan, AK) (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short)

AB Shane & Taylor Pitts (Air Force) (Albuquerque, NM) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)

David Richardson, (Marines) (Okinawa, Japan) (Son of Shannon & Yesi)

Joshua Richardson, (Marines) (MCBH, Kaneohe, Hawaii) (Son of Shannon & Yesi)

Steven Schink (Coast Guard) (Port Angeles, WA) (Son-in-Law of Ed & Julie Ruffer)

AJ Short (Marines) (Japan) (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short)

PFC Kyle Stuckey, Discharged (Grandson of Nan Neill)

Please consider sending cards to these people letting them know that we continue to lift them up to God in prayer, that He will guide, comfort and sustain them through these times.

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David Lightner, Room #138
Josephine Short, Room #112
Jane Short, Room #172

Fairlawn Asst. Living, 500 Haven Dr., Archbold, 43502
William & Donna Buehrer, Room #230
Wayne & Susanne Spiess, Room #228

Independent Living, 600 Haven Dr., Archbold, 43502
Rosemarie Schmidt, Apt. #112

Fulton Manor/Suites, 723 S. Shoop Ave., Wauseon, 43567
Robert Kuntz, Room #225-2
Velma Overmier, Room #505-1
Bernice Rice, Room #224-2
Joanne Spotts, Room #113
Beverly Beaverson, Suite #605

SKLD, 1104 Wesley Ave., Bryan, 43506
Verlene Lovejoy, Room #203B

Genacross, 1036 S. Perry St., Napoleon, OH 43545
Audrey Smith, Room #403

pastoral prayer

The Beatitudes – Matthew 5:3-10

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. 5 Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. 6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. 7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. 8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. 9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God. 10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

In the Greek, the word translated “blessed” can also mean happy, happier, fortunate and how joyful. In these beatitudes Jesus speaks of the present and the future. The blessings experienced through the teaching of Jesus have both a present and a future affect, and those blessings are realized through believing in Jesus and in His teachings. These beatitudes are true, they are real. Blessings do come as Jesus says they will come. I wish I could have been one of the original listeners, to ask questions and probe the deeper meanings of these words. But I am sure they were words of hope, words that calmed people down and pointed them to God.

Many people are poor in spirit in these difficult, difficult days of pandemic. To offer some blessing, some happiness, I share this devotional I came across many years ago.

Six Instances of Truth and Character

1. In a particular village experiencing a drought, all the villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. That's FAITH.
2. When you toss a baby in the air, she laughs because she knows you will catch her. That's TRUST
3. Every night we go to bed, without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set the alarm to wake us up. That's HOPE
4. We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That's CONFIDENCE
5. We see the world suffering, but still many get married and many have children. That's LOVE
6. On an old man's shirt was written a sentence 'I am not 81 years old....I am sweet 16 with 65 years of experience. That's ATTITUDE

Be sure to concentrate on the first one, because without FAITH, you will never get to the rest of them.

May you be blessed,

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congregational news & thank you's

Thank you for awarding me with the church scholarship. I appreciate the support that the church has shown me throughout my college career.

Toby Walker



Thank you for the cards, prayers and kind words upon the passing of my brother.

Jim Grieser



St. John's administrative assistant, Kelly Stahl, has accepted a new job opportunity using her skills in the office of Renewed Minds. We wish her much success as she begins this new adventure. Kelly's last day will be August 7th, 2020. Thank you, Kelly, for your service to St. John's the last 2 ½ years!

This also means that the Personnel Committee is looking for a qualified candidate to fill this position. Anyone qualified within the congregation is encouraged to apply. The following ad will be in the paper.

Full-time church Administrative Assistant position open in Archbold. The administrative assistant works with the pastors, staff, and other church leaders to maintain the church's day-to-day operations. Desired qualifications include 2 yr. degree in business administration or 3 years previous experience, proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, Power Point and Publisher. Knowledge of Adobe InDesign software, One Call Now, and website updating would be helpful. Must be welcoming to visitors and be able to manage multiple tasks with attention to detail. Send resume to Laura Johnson/St. John's Christian Church Personnel Committee - ljohnson57@gmail.com. Interviews will be scheduled ASAP, no later than the second week of August.

mission corner

August Mission-A-Month Back Bay Mission Trip

Mission Trip Experiences

Back Bay Mission Trip – scheduled for October 24th through 31st – though Back Bay Mission closed down their work camp ministry in mid-March, hopefully we will know by September 1st what their plans will be for the end of October.

Thank You Notes From Mission Partners

- CRU (McMahon), for our gift of \$50.
- Altlink (Langsdorf), for our gift of \$118.
- Crossroad, for our gift of \$135.
- Backbay Mission, for our gift of \$85.
- World Team (Franks), for our gift of \$185.
- Cherry Street Mission, for our gift of \$20.
- Shepherd's Circle, for our gift of \$410.00.
- FISH Pantry, for our gift of \$255.
- Kajiado, for our gift of \$155.
- Sparrow's Nest, for our gift of \$20.

Fairlawn Retirement Community



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Dear Friends,

As members of our Christian community you are a part of the Fairlawn mission of care. Your support both financially and spiritually over the years is why Fairlawn has been so successful.

This past April, Fairlawn cancelled the annual Spring Auction due to coronavirus concerns. It was our hope to reschedule the traditional event in late October. Unfortunately, with the uncertainty surrounding the coronavirus it is unlikely that we will be able to host an event as large as our traditional auction. We are evaluating how we might be able to do something with small groups and through an online auction in the fall, but in reality, we need your help now. The auction has been providing over \$25,000 in annual support each year to our work here at Fairlawn.

Proceeds from the auction have helped to maintain our Christian focus through the chaplaincy program and benevolent care. The auction allowed the Auxiliary to purchase birthday flowers for residents each month and provide staff with a wonderful annual Christmas meal. Over the years, auction proceeds have assisted with purchasing new and updated equipment. This year Fairlawn is more financially challenged than ever due to the unprecedented coronavirus and ongoing concerns surrounding our aging buildings and equipment. We need your help.

We are asking that you prayerfully consider making a donation to Fairlawn to support our work to serve those who have given so much throughout their lives. With you, Fairlawn Haven Care Center can continue our commitment as a strong, faith-based organization, providing high quality care and safety for those who cannot manage on their own (through short-term rehab, assisted living and long-term care).

We will keep you updated of our plans for a fall event as Fairlawn received several beautiful quilts and custom furniture pieces we would like to share. Until then we ask for your continued prayers and needed financial support.

Mail Donations to:
Fairlawn Haven
Attn: Mari Yoder
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Sincerely,
Cristal Vincent, LNHA, CEO
Mari Yoder, Director of Development

Missionary Contact/Prayer



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Christian Education



Evangelism Committee – 2020 Book Bag Bash

This annual event will be held on August 9th, from 2pm to 4pm. All book bags will be prefilled with supplies based on age, and the bags will be handed out through a drive through line.

Stephen Ministry

The writer of Ecclesiastes knew the benefits of working together. His description of a man working alone is heartbreaking; and in the end, all of that man's labor is meaningless. Working together with others gives greater reward, more assistance, and in the end is just plain smart. Are you trying to do things on your own that would work out better if you were doing it with another? Who can help you, or whom can you team up with to get a better return on your efforts? If you answered, a Stephen Minister....you are headed in the right direction!

BREEZE

Don't forget to visit our new "Breeze" online member directory and create an account. Visit:

Breeze invitation web page:

<https://stjohnschristianchurch.breezechms.com/login/create>

or

St. John's Christian Church Breeze web page:

<https://stjohnschristianchurch.breezechms.com>

To create a new account, you will input your name and email address, if Breeze recognizes you in our data base, you will be sent a confirmation to your email. (If for some reason, it says you are not recognized, please call the church office, so that we can check to make sure we have all of the correct information in your profile.) By clicking on that email confirmation, you will be prompted to create a user name and password. This will give you access to the church's Breeze website.

worship

Worship Schedule

- August 2** Scriptures – Acts 9:3-6, 17-19; Ephesians 3:1-13
 Sermon – “What’s My Testimony?”
- August 9** Scriptures – Deuteronomy 6:4-9; 2 Corinthians 5:11-21
 Sermon – “Conversations about Jesus”
- August 16** Potentially “Presentation Sunday” and “Rally Sunday”
 Scriptures – Psalm 145:1-7; Acts 26:9-32
 Sermon – “Sharing the Gospel”
 Special Music – Klaire Kern – “What a Beautiful Name”
- August 23** Scriptures – Psalm 92:1-8; James 2:14-26
 Sermon – “Good Deeds + Outreach”
 Special Music – Kenny Walker, IV
- August 30** Potentially “Confirmation Sunday”
 Scriptures – Deuteronomy 32:1-4; 2 Timothy 1:1-14
 Sermon – “Being Faithful” – Pastor Alex
 Special Music – Sheila Whitlock & Brie Grime (grandmother/granddaughter) playing dulcimers

August 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8:00AM Worship 9:15AM Sunday School 9:15AM Faith Village 9:15AM Confirmation 10:30AM Worship	Mission-A-Month— Back Bay Mission Trip	Elder of the Month— Robert DeVries				1
2 8:00AM Worship 10:30AM Worship	3 11:00AM Staff Meeting	4 7:00PM Capital Campaign Com.	5	6 7:00PM Mission Com.	7	8
9 2:00 Book Bag Bash	10 11:00AM Staff Meeting 6:30PM Stephen Min. Peer Support	11 7:00PM Property Com.	12 7:00PM Facility Com.	13	14	15
16 Rally Sunday	17 11:00AM Staff Meeting 6:15PM Spiritual Coun- cil 7:30PM Consistory	18	19	20	21 4:00PM Wed- ding Reh. 6:00PM Wed- ding Reh.	22 1:00PM Wedding 3:30PM Wedding
23	24 11:00AM Staff Meeting	25	26	27 4:00PM Laundry Bud- dy Ministry	28 6:00PM Wed- ding Rehearsal	29 12:00PM Wedding
30	31					



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 Julie Ruffer | 15 Erich & Lynne Christman, Randy & Kathy Layton, |
| 4 Braden Eichler | 17 Tyler Bechstein, Gavin Walker, Tony Warncke |
| 5 Mary Beck, Bettie Perry, Jack & Barb Stover | 18 Bonnie Grieser, Sandy Miller, Eric Yoder |
| 6 Lynne Roth, Cameron & Kristen Ruffer, Dave & Karen Walker | 21 Jill Nafziger, Burdell & Janice Nofziger, Janice Nofziger |
| 7 Roger & Jean Beck, Gary & Sandy Frazier, Tom Lovejoy, Cayla Swisher | 22 Dale & Lori Flint |
| 8 Amanda Walker | 23 Tom Johnson, Jon & Deb Rupp |
| 9 Rollin & Suzette Nafziger, Larry Woolace, Curtis Wooley | 24 Kathryn Graber |
| 10 Heather Sears, Paul Sigg | 26 Brad Roth |
| 11 Jacob & Esther Rupp | 27 Josh Grime, Jeremy Kinsman, Morgan McCandless, Bruce & Carrie Wooley |
| 12 Bob & Carol DeVries | 29 Jeremy Mann |
| 13 Darby Stevens | 30 Pam Reeb, Don LaFountaine |
| 14 Deb Kauffman, Kyle & Alicia Jackson, Toni Neuenschwander, Dianne Wyrick, Silas Rupp | |

✿ Please let us know if we do not have your special day correct. Thank you.

consistory/committees

Digital Sign

As shared in last month's Visitor, the Consistory has approved a recommendation from the Property Committee concerning the installation of a digital sign. The Archbold Zoning Board of Appeals will act upon a permit at an August 13th meeting.

Resumption of Ministry Plans – For August 1st Implementation

The Consistory puts forth the following resumption plan details:

1. In light of the fact that the pandemic is not over, continued caution will be observed as we resume our in-person ministries.
2. Since resuming in-person worship on May 31st, SJCC has had 8 Sundays of worship in the sanctuary, and there is no awareness of any Covid-19 positive cases.
3. SJCC will practice recommended safety protocols as realistically as feasible, including:
 - a. Encouraging everyone to practice good hygiene (washing hands, covering coughs/sneezes)
 - b. Encouraging everyone to take temperatures before arriving at church, and if their temperature is 100 degrees or higher, asking that they stay in their residence
 - c. Asking a person who is sick or not feeling well, or lives with or cares for someone who is sick or not feeling well, to stay in their residence until feeling well.
 - d. Per the Governor's Order, as of July 23, 2020, 6:00pm, and until that order is rescinded, face coverings will be required for all services, meetings and activities in the SJCC church buildings and outdoors on the SJCC church property when 6' social distance is unable to be maintained, unless one of the exclusions in the state order applies.

4. SJCC acknowledges that some level of risk will always be present when people occupy our church facilities or are engaged in church ministries that meet elsewhere.
5. SJCC recognizes that the spiritual health of a person is as important as a person's physical health, and we are striving to provide a plan that addresses the holistic health of all.
6. We trust people to be wise in making their own decisions regarding their physical presence for in-person worship and/or participation in any of the ministries of SJCC.
7. Based on current protocols from the State of Ohio, SJCC will operate on the following schedule:
 - a. We will continue to maintain two empty pews between occupied pews. People will be directed to stagger their seating, so that they are not sitting directly behind someone in the nearest available pew in front of them. People will be directed to maintain a 6' social distance in the pews unless all people in one pew are in agreement to sit together. We will continue to have children remain in the pews for the children's messages.

As people enter and exit the building, everyone should practice social distancing, exiting the sanctuary from the rear to the front and leaving the hallway in a steady and safe fashion.

We will continue to live stream the 10:30am service.

Song lyrics and Bible readings will be displayed on the screen, with people encouraged to bring their own Bibles for their use in the pews.

Sanitization of the sanctuary, hallways and restrooms will occur between services as needed.

- b. August 2nd – exterior doors will no longer be propped open once the heat of the day dictates their closure; this will be reassessed as we progress through the summer towards autumn.
- c. August 2nd – offering plates will remain at the entrance doors of the sanctuary, and entrance doors will remain propped open until after the service begins, at which time they will be closed, and then reopened during the closing song.
- d. August 3rd – in addition to unlocking the east accessible entrance each day, we will resume to unlocking the carport entrance and the south porch entrance on a daily basis.
- e. August 3rd – in-person pastoral visits will resume per individual preferences or per facility protocols for care facility residents. (The pastors have made some in-person pastoral visits over the course of the past few months, based on the serious level of health situations.)
- f. The hope for August 16th is to observe Rally Sunday and welcome all age levels back for Sunday school, and Small Groups may resume in-person gatherings.
 - i. As the 16th approaches, the current Covid situation will be assessed and reviewed.
 - ii. Resuming Sunday school is dependent upon availability of teachers. We recognize that available class spaces may not enable social distancing for our adult classes, and we will leave it to each class to decide if and how they want to meet.
 - iii. we will reopen use of the mother's room. We will reopen use of the nursery, and for the 10:30am service it may not be staffed with volunteers depending upon the willingness of individuals to return and care for children during the pandemic.

- iv. We will resume services of Baptism and Dedication as they are scheduled.
- g. The hope for September 9th or 16th is to resume our Wednesday evening ministries, with specific protocols in place for the Logos Family Time meal, while remaining open to the guidance and experience of what our local schools experience as the school year resumes in August, as well as an assessment of the current Covid situation.
- 8. The resumption of the following August/September ministries remains under consideration:
 - a. Chancel Choir – past participants will be surveyed regarding their preferences
 - b. Annual Chicken Barbeque – will be held on September 27th with socially distant seating available in the parish hall, or outside in the east lawn, or via carry out.
 - c. TGRM Chapel and Meal Ministry
 - d. Third Thursday Luncheons
- 9. The drinking fountains and coffee service will remain unavailable until further notice.

Special Congregational Meeting – September 20th, 9:15am

The Consistory has called for a special meeting of the congregation to discuss and take any action on the following three items:

1. To discuss and act upon the future of the Sanctuary Pipe Organ
2. To discuss and act upon the proposed position of a Pastor of Music and Worship
3. To discuss and act upon the consideration of purchasing the property that is east of the church.

Meeting a Quorum

As the Church Constitution stipulates a 40% quorum when electing a pastor, the Consistory is using that guideline for this congregational meeting, even though a pastor will not be elected or called in this meeting. The two agenda items are very significant and will have long term affects upon the church's ministry, and so the Consistory is asking for a higher percentage of the members be present.

A 40% quorum dictates that there be at least 164 members present for this meeting.

1) Sanctuary Pipe Organ

The Issues

1. The pipe organ requires maintenance and repair work estimated to cost between \$200,000 and \$250,000.
2. There is a nationwide shortage of organists, which is certainly evident in our area.
3. Organ music is seemingly no longer deemed as essential to congregational worship as it was when the church building was constructed in 1956 and 1957.
4. As plans are in the process of being formulated for a renovation of the sanctuary, it is necessary to know if the pipe organ will remain in place, be replaced, or be removed.

Information

In 2017, information was gathered from a variety of sources regarding the present state and future use of the organ. That information was compiled into a ten page document and copies of that study are available from the church office – either in a printed or digital format.

Recommendation

By a majority vote, the Consistory has recommended that the pipe organ be removed from the sanctuary, which was also the recommendation of the Discernment Team in 2019.

Congregational Meeting Discussion Points

1. Organist availability
2. Desired inclusion of organ music within our congregational worship in the present and future
3. Cost of the solution – possibly \$100,000 for a digital organ or up to \$250,000 to repair the organ

2) Pastor of Music and Worship

Recommendation

During its review and visioning work in 2018 and 2019, one of the key recommendations from the Discernment Team to the Consistory was to invigorate and expand our worship ministries. The recommended way discerned to accomplish this was to create a new ministerial staff position, which is currently being called the Pastor of Music and Worship. The Consistory then discussed this recommendation and at their June 2020 meeting they tasked the Personnel Committee with finalizing a job description and compensation package for this position.

Job Description

Pastor of Music and Worship – Proposed Job Description – Revised as of July 16, 2020

This position's main focus will be on the leading and development of passionate and Christ-centered worship ministries of the church. The ideal candidate should be:

1. A fully devoted disciple of Jesus Christ whose character models the holy life and bears witness to the leadership of the Holy Spirit.
2. Called by God to serve Him in and affirmed by the Church.
3. Educated, with a college or master's degree in music and/or a Bible College or seminary degree in Bible, Theology, Worship or Pastoral Ministry; willing to pursue further educational training.
4. Knowledgeable of church worship music with appropriate practical experience in leading worship with a commitment to excellence.
5. Gifted with musical abilities – vocal, instrumental and directing.
6. Able to oversee and incorporate traditional and contemporary styles of music.
7. Able to communicate effectively and clearly.
8. Willing to develop and integrate members into the worship ministry of the church.
9. Have technical knowledge and aptitude for audio-visual equipment and software.
10. Passionate about leading people into a relationship with Jesus.
11. A creative and strong leader who demonstrates a life of grace and truth.
12. A team player who is consistent, trustworthy, and dependable; a servant in attitude and action.

The Pastor of Music and Worship will:

1. Plan and coordinate worship services with the senior pastor having primary responsibility for guiding sermon and worship themes.
2. Write the liturgy for worship services – calls to worship, unison prayers, litanies, etc.
3. Coordinate leadership of congregational singing, accompanists, vocalists, instrumentalists, all choirs (chancel, junior, bell & chime), ensembles, praise band(s), and any new music ministries.
4. Select music for Sunday morning worship services, seasonal worship services and special services of worship.
5. Assist the pastor(s) in coordinating music for wedding and funerals.
6. Have oversight and ultimate responsibility for music ministry activities and programs that involve all age groups, such as:
 - a. Coordinate LOGOS Worship Skills in cooperation with the LOGOS Director
 - b. Involve people of all ages in offering music during worship
 - c. Coordinate music ministries within JYF and SYF in cooperation with youth leaders
 - d. Assist in supplying music for adult gatherings (luncheons, special programs)
7. Oversee all dramatic presentations, whether that be worship dramas on any given Sunday, or a Christmas or Easter cantata, or scheduling drama groups like the Covenant Players.
8. Recruit, train and support lay leaders and participants in our music and worship ministries.
9. Stay informed about materials, resources and methods pertinent to music and worship ministry.
10. Manage worship software, including necessary licenses, as well as copyright requirements.
11. Meet with staff, committees and church leaders for coordination of music and worship programs.

12. Develop the church budget for music and worship ministries, striving to operate these programs within the approved church budget.
13. Supervise and resource the technological aspects of worship.
14. Coordinate teams of greeters, ushers, worship readers/leaders, song leaders, children's message leaders, audio techs, live stream techs, video techs and presentation techs.
15. Be involved in other pastoral and ministerial duties as gifts and time allow.
16. In conjunction with any other ministerial staff, assist in covering the duties of the pastor when the pastor is away from the church – vacation, conferences, mission experiences, sabbatical, etc.

Typical/Sample Schedule –

Weekly Hours

Set Schedule

Sundays (Year Round)

7:00am	Arrival – Final Worship Prep	
7:30am	Meet with worship leaders for review and prayer	
8:00am	Worship – lead singing, special music	
10:00am	Choir Warm-Ups – Chancel, Junior, Bell, Chimes, Special Music	
10:30am	Worship – lead singing, special music, directing	
12:00pm	Departure	
Total Sunday Hours.....		5

Mondays (Year Round)

11:00am	Weekly staff meeting	
1:00pm	Weekly worship planning meeting	
3:00pm	End of weekly meetings	
Total Monday Hours.....		3

Wednesdays (September – May)

6:00pm	Arrival	
6:45pm	LOGOS Music & Worship	
7:30pm	Choir/Special music practice	
9:30pm	End of practices	
Total Wednesday Hours.....		3.5

Chosen Day (Year Round)

6:30pm	Arrival	
7:00pm	Praise Band Practice	
9:00pm	End of practice.....	2.5

Total Weekly Hours (5+3+3.5+2.5).....14

Flexible Schedule

Music – Selecting songs for worship, maintaining database, Easy Worship.....	3
Music – Selecting songs for praise band, maintaining data base, Easy Worship.....	3
Music – Preparing music and communicating with praise band.....	3
Music – Coordinating special music – solos, ensembles, choirs – two months out.....	4
Worship – Coordinating worship presentation slides and video.....	3
Worship – Coordinating worship drama ministry and practices.....	4
Worship – Researching and resourcing worship methods and programs.....	3
Worship – Coordinating lay involvement in worship.....	3
Total Weekly Hours.....	26 hours

Total Overall Weekly Hours (14 + 26).....40 hours

3) Purchase of Property East of the Church

As a few of the Consistory members were contacted about the purchase of the property east of the church, the Consistory decided to add the item to the special congregational meeting they had scheduled for September 20th. The Consistory recognized that the property could be sold by then. If the property is still available, discussion can focus on the why's and how's of a purchase; and if the property has already been sold, discussion can focus on being prepared for any future such purchases.

The property in question is located at 109 W. Barre Road and abuts the church property. It is a 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 3,198 sq. ft. home situation on .82 acres. Further information can be seen by typing <https://109wbarre.danberry.com/> into your browser.

August Daily Scriptures

(From "Discovery" Daily Devotional)

Discovery® is a daily Bible reading guide that provides clear Bible explanation, prayers and relevant application questions. You can access this guide online at <http://www.scriptureunion.org/Bible%20Reading/Discovery>.

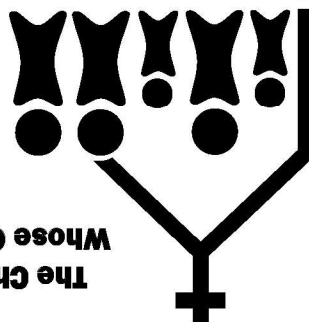
1 My Friend Titus-----2 Corinthians 8:16-24	16 Overflowing Goodness----- Psalm 65
2 Sing! -----Psalm 63	17 A Righteous Response ----- Nehemiah 1
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